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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 5060

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDEV, MILI, PO, AO

SUBJECT: ANGOLAN DEVELOPMENTS

1. MPLA AND UNITA REACH AGREEMENT: WEEKEND PRESS REPORTED THAT AFTER A SERIES OF SECRET MEETINGS IN LISBON, UNITA AND MPLA AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO A CEASE-FIRE BETWEEN THE TWO MOVEMENTS. AN EVENTUAL EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS WAS ALSO AGREED TO. THESE ACCORDS HOWEVER ARE NOT TO TAKE EFFECT UNTIL RATIFIED BY THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RESPECTIVE MOVEMENTS BACK IN ANGOLA. MEETINGS WERE HELD AT PRESIDENTIAL PALACE. MPLA WAS REPRESENTED BY LOPO DO NASCIMENTO AND CARLOS ROCHA; UNITA BY JOSE N'DELE AND FRANCISCO WILSON. COSTA GOMES  
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REPORTEDLY SAT IN DURING THE MEETINGS.

2. NEW ANGOLAN HIGH COMMISSIONER: ADMIRAL LEONEL ALEXANDRE GOMES CARDOSO WAS SWORN IN AUGUST 30 AS THE NEW ANGOLAN HIGH COMMISSIONER. PAST EMBASSY CONTACTS WITH HIM, INCLUDING DURING HIS TENURE AS HEAD OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OF IBERLANT (JANUARY 1972 - NOVEMBER 1973), HAVE BEEN POSITIVE. CARDOSO WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 28, 1919 IN CALDAS DA RAINHA. MARRIED AND HAS TWO SONS. LANGUAGES: EXCELLENT FRENCH, SPANISH, ENGLISH. HE GRADUATED FROM NAVAL ACADEMY IN 1940. OTHER CAREER ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE: CHIEF OF STAFF OF NAVAL COMMAND (ANGOLA) 1961 - 1963; NAVAL ATTACHE IN LONDON 1964 - MARCH 1968; THEREAFTER RESPONSIBLE FOR AFRICAN OPERATIONS IN NAVAL OPERATIONS DIVISION. HE HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS ALERT, INTELLIGENT, HARD-DRIVING, A REALIST AND GOOD ORGANIZER. DEFENSE HAS ADDITIONAL BIO INFO ON FILE.

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